

APPENDIX A

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Monitor the health status of individuals in the community to identify community health problems.

Diagnose and investigate community health problems and community health hazards.

Inform, educate, and empower the community with respect to health issues.

Mobilize community partnerships in identifying and solving community health problems.

Develop policies and plans that support individual and community efforts to improve health.

Enforce laws and rules that protect the public health and ensure safety in accordance with those laws and rules.

Link individuals who have a need for community and personal health services to appropriate community and private providers.

Ensure a competent workforce for the provision of essential public health services.

Research new insights and innovative solutions to community health problems.

Evaluate the effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services in a community.